

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: **Stephen Fife Sheldon** § Group Art Unit: **2168**  
Serial No.: **10/800,493** §  
Filing Date: **March 15, 2004** § Confirmation Number: **9307**  
Title: **Simple Expression Optimization in a** § Examiner: **Sanders, Aaron J.**  
**SQL Query** § § Attorney Docket No.: **11466**

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Appeal mailed August 23, 2011, Applicant respectfully submits the amendments to the claims set out below. The two-month time for response expires on October 23, 2011; therefore, this Amendment is timely filed.